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- 1. The Montevideo police chief has been briefed on the Secret Service's general mission to protect President Johnson and has promised all the support within his capabilities.
- 2. According to a list prepared by the Brazilian security services, the president in most serious danger at the summit meeting is the Argentine president. Brazil's president, in second place on the list, is considered to be in much less serious danger, followed by the presidents of the United States, Paraguay, and Venezuela.
- 3. The Brazilians are worried by only about 30 of the 300 or so Brazilian exiles in Uruguay in connection with the safety of the Brazilian delegation. Most of the 30 have reportedly been trained in Cuba and some of them would like to maintain Castro's support by impressing him with an act of violence. It seems unlikely at this point that the democratic-minded Uruguayans will take much effective action to neutralize or confine those potential troublemakers the Brazilians are worried about.
- 4. The Revolutionary Movement of Uruguay, a small pro-Chinese organization, has started a well-executed poster attack against the conference. However, the group's finances are limited and unless it obtains new and unexpected funds, it will not be able to mount an extensive or sustained campaign. In the meantime, the Communist-dominated labor and student associations are continuing to work on their joint plan "to cancel the summit." They now plan to enlist the support of Bertrand Russell and a large number of other foreign and local leftist intellectuals for their "struggle."

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